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County asks province to maintain funding level

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Staff Reporter

The County of Haliburton is asking the provincial government to sustain levels of municipal funding through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund for rural and northern communities.

As previously reported, just before Christmas, Ontario finance minister Vic Fedeli sent letters to the heads of municipal councils throughout the province, informing them the overall amount of money the province allots to municipal governments through the OMPF each year would be decreasing.

"While we all will be operating within a smaller funding envelope, we want to work with you to return the program to what it was initially intended to do – support the northern and rural municipalities that need it most," that letter read.

Initially intended essentially as equalization payments for the province's poorer municipalities, the program has grown over the years to include funding for most municipal governments. The funding, doled out on an annual basis, comes with no set criteria, and is used by municipalities for general operations, offsetting operating and capital costs.

In Haliburton County, for 2018, OMPF funding for the county's four lower-tier

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Speed series starts

A boarder sails around a curve at Sir Sams Ski and Ride on Saturday, Jan. 19. The hill was filled with competitors in the 2019 Ontario Snowboard Speed Series SBX/SX race.
/TIM TOFFLEMIERE Special to the Echo

College pledges to adapt to tuition reduction

JENN WATT

Editor

Fleming College representatives say they will "adapt and be innovative" in response to a reduction in tuition fees announced last week.

The provincial PC government has specified that domestic student tuition fees for colleges and universities be reduced 10 per cent.

"It will have an impact on our domestic tuition in the \$2.5 million range. These are still early calculations. The college is waiting on more information from the government on how this will be carried out," Sara O'Halloran, communications officer for Fleming College, said via email.

Haliburton School of Art + Design is the Haliburton campus of Fleming. O'Halloran said the college will work to make sure the impact is minimal for students.

Across the province, the tuition reduction accounts for \$440 million in lost income for colleges and universities. The changes are to come into effect in the

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Bark Lake subdivision and condominium plan extension approved

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Jan. 16 meeting of Highlands East council.

Highlands East council was asked to support a request by Century Lane Developments Corporation for an extension of a current draft plan approval for a subdivision and condominium plan comprised of 83 recreational lots as well as 11 condominium blocks along the southern shoreline of Bark Lake at the council meeting. The plan was initially granted draft approval by the County of Haliburton on April 28, 2016.

"The owner has submitted an extension to the draft plan approval because the lapsing date for the county approval is April 29, 2019," wrote Chris Jones, municipal planner in a memo to council. "Should the draft approval lapse it would require a 're-do' of the entire application process for the plan of subdivision/condominium."

Jones's memo said the applicant has engaged in pre-consultation discussions with both the county and municipality with respect to changes to the draft plan, which could potentially be facilitated through a "red-line" change to the draft approved plan. "However, it has been acknowledged by all parties that there is not enough time to complete the red-line approval process before the April 29 expiry date."

Jones said he recommended council support the extension. Council did so for a period no longer than three years. The extension request will now be forwarded to the County of Haliburton for final approval.

Construction dollars in 2018 surpass 2017

Construction values in Highlands East neared \$15 million in 2018, being recorded at \$14,817,000, compared to \$11,034,753 in 2017, according to a report by chief building official Laurie Devolin.

Last year, the building department issued 199 permits, 39 for dwellings and 160 falling under an "other" category, compared to 213 building permits issued in 2017, 29 of those dwellings and 172 considered "other." Eighty sewage system permits were issued in 2018 compared to 62 permits issued in 2017, and 34 sewage installation reports were filed in both 2018 and 2017. In December, 2018, 22 inspections were made, for a total of 592 in the year, with 29 building bylaw infractions being recorded.

Changes to building department space underway

Building department space renovations began Jan. 8 and are currently in phase one of three.

"[Phase one focuses on] the major renovation to the post office space which includes the lobby area," wrote Devolin in her update. "The post office space will become the new reception area and incorporate a conference room where staff can meet with the public. The lobby area will become the new wi-fi lounge with an accessible bathroom."

Phase two looks at the existing building department space, with a new storage cupboard and lunchroom being created, new flooring and paint, and existing offices modified. The beautification of the exterior of the building, which includes landscaping and additional parking facilities, takes place in phase three.

Fire department calls reach five-year high in 2018

Nineteen calls in December brought the total number of calls to date for the Highlands East fire department to 307, the highest number of calls in five years.

In 2017, 259 calls were made; in 2016, 302 calls; in 2015, 280 calls were made; and there were 252 calls in 2014. Of the 307 calls made last year, 12 were for property fires or explosions, 29 were for unauthorized or authorized

controlled burning, 15 were for false calls related to fire or carbon monoxide, 165 calls were for medical calls, 40 for rescue calls, 29 were for public hazard calls related to power lines down or carbon monoxide incidents, and 15 total calls were classified under a pre-fire conditions category, or an "other" category.

Highlands East arena to host Highland Storm

Jim Alden, property supervisor, said he's been in touch with the Highland Storm co-ordinator to work on a schedule to accommodate the minor hockey league when needed at the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena while Minden is without their arena for the 2019/2020 ice season.

A total of 138 hours were booked for both private and league use at the Wilberforce arena from October to December in 2018, compared to 145.5 hours in 2017.

"Without a minor hockey league in the area, a drop in hours of only 7.5 hours is a good indication that private rentals have increased," wrote Alden, in the property and parks department report.

Bicroft landfill site inspection completed

A site inspection of the Bicroft landfill by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks was completed Nov. 8 in 2018.

"The municipality is required to conduct an extensive litter clean-up in spring of 2019 and by April 1, 2019 amend the [environmental compliance approval] to permit the collection of waste electronics at the site," reads the report by Steward Hurd, environmental supervisor.

Garbutt awarded Cardiff contract

A tender from Garbutt Enterprises in the amount of \$47,460 for the 2019 household garbage and recycling contract was the only one received by the municipality in response to an advertisement on the Highlands East website and social media pages, and in local papers. The tender was accepted.

"Garbutt has always provided excellent service," reads the analysis section of Hurd's report to council.

Garbutt Disposal's contract is only up slightly from 2018, when it was accepted at \$47,445.



New family member

Matt Duchene, Ottawa Senators centre from Haliburton, holds his new baby in this photo posted to Instagram on Jan. 9. His caption reads: "Beau David Newell Duchene, born at 4:58 p.m. on 1/9/19 7lbs 13oz. Mom and baby are happy and healthy. God is great!" Matt and his wife Ashley announced the pregnancy online in October. /Photo reprinted with permission from Matt Duchene

Pond hockey players ready to hit the ice

Organizers are busy finalizing arrangements in anticipation of 700 players, from as far away as New York, Pennsylvania and Quebec, descending on the 14-acre pond at Pinestone Resort the weekends of Jan. 25 to 27, and Feb. 1 to 3 for the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships.

Participants range in ages from 19 to 70 plus and will play a combined 300 games of "pond" in what has become not only the preeminent grassroots hockey experience but also one of the largest events of its kind in the world.

What is sure to be a fan favourite is the new men's and women's "Pondimonium" divisions where teams are more concerned about how they look than the score. In fact, one of the event highlights is the creativity teams put into their uniforms. John Teljeur, event owner and general manager of Pinestone, says, "It's Stanley Cup meets Halloween. We've had teams dressed as nuns, snowmen, penguins and pylons. It's really entertaining the lengths they go to have fun at the event both on and off the ice. A lot of teams have been at the event for over 10 years and every year they do something different."

This year, the action on the ice will be matched by the fun off it. Each night, the event features live bands including Rude E Bones, Arden and the Tourists, Little Bones (a tribute to the Hip) and Acrobat – a band that appeared with U2 in 2015 when they were in Toronto. For the first time, the event officially opens its doors to the general public to join in the fun. A limited number of tickets are available for each show at a cost of \$20 per show. Concert tickets are available at Pinestone Resort or online at www.canadapondhockey.ca.

Players and spectators alike will enjoy the "Fire on Ice" patio overlooking the rinks, serving beverages as well as the new tasty slow cooked smokehouse barbecue menu at Pinestone. The patio will also have custom built, raised wood burning fire pits to keep everyone toasty.

A variety of awesome Haliburton experiences will be

up for grabs in the silent auction area in support of Heat Bank Haliburton County – an organization that supplies emergency heat for area residents that run out each winter.

The event is powered by over 100 community volunteers. One of the busiest groups is the Baffin Ice Crew that not only builds but also maintains and cleans the 18 rinks throughout the two weekend event. In total, they will move nearly five million cubic feet of snow weighing some 38,000 tons.

Thanks to Amazing Agency, Haliboo TV will once again be on the air offering live streaming of the event, inside and out.

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The Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships are planned for the last weekend of January and the first weekend in February at Pinestone Resort. /Photo submitted

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Highlands food tourism 'on the cusp' of taking off

JENN WATT

Editor

One of three pillars of Haliburton County's tourism strategy is building and promoting the culinary arts – such as the area's farmers' markets, restaurants, maple syrup, wild edibles and craft breweries.

The seeds have been planted and cultivated, said the county's food tourism coordinator Lila Sweet, now it's all about to blossom.

She defined food tourism as: "any time that you travel to get a taste of place in order to get a sense of place."

Sweet led an informal conversation at Haliburton Highlands Brewing on Thursday, Jan. 17, with those who responded to an open invitation to come together and discuss next steps in culinary tourism.

"Haliburton County's food culture is blossoming. We've planted, we've grown. We're just sitting on the cusp of it all being very apparent to the outside. This is our chance to define ourselves. I'm very excited," she said.

Attendees snacked on hors d'oeuvres provided by Abbey Gardens and sampled coffee from County Coffee and sipped beer by Haliburton Highlands Brewing as Tom Regina serenaded the group on his



Those involved in the local food industry (and their supporters) came out to a meet and greet at Haliburton Highlands Brewing on Thursday, Jan. 17. They were treated to music by Tom Regina, hors d'oeuvres, coffee and beer samples. They discussed what the next steps in growing the area's food tourism would be. /JENN WATT Staff

flute.

Sweet said the event was a community building exercise to bring together people who want to take the next steps in building and promoting food tourism.

She played a TED Talk by Pam Warhurst, co-founder of Incredible Edible, based in the U.K. Her talk detailed

how a group of volunteers put local food at the heart of the community, building partnerships to improve education, business and community capacity.

They transformed flower gardens to herb gardens and engaged schools, which in turn began teaching agriculture and assisting in the gardening.

After the video, attendees piped up about their ideas for what could be done locally. Some of the ideas from the TED Talk weren't practical for the Highlands, members of the audience said; deer would be likely to mow down any veggie garden not surrounded by a two-metre fence. However, other ideas such as mapping places to buy eggs from the farm gate were considered good first steps.

"Our tourism is a very important piece of the economics in this area and tourism is growing all over the world. It's one of the major driving forces of the economy," Sweet said. "In my opinion, I'd love to see tourism flourish up here and I would really rather that we define ourselves and celebrate what we have instead of having industry moving in and define who we are."

Sweet collected names of those interested in participating in the next step, which will be a meeting to discuss creating the Highlands' version of an Incredible Edible movement.

In addition, there will be a Field to Fork meeting for farmers, chefs and producers to meet over beer at Rhubarb Restaurant on Monday, Jan. 28 from 5 to 7 p.m. Terri Mathews-Carl of Rhubarb will present on buying locally.

For more information, contact Sweet at 705-286-1839 or email food.tourism@outlook.com.

Honey producer traces product back to the plants it came from

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

At the back of Ron Lofthouse's Haliburton home, his apiary of bees is quiet, hibernating for the winter. It's a complete contrast to spring and summer when the bees are busy, coming and going from his yard.

He always wondered where his honey came from and decided to have an analysis performed to find out.

In November, Lofthouse, a small scale honey producer, received the analysis results from the Centre de recherche en sciences animales de Deschambault, or CRSAD, where he sent two samples of honey to be analyzed. One sample was 43.5 per cent from the linden (or basswood) plant. The next highest content was sweet clover at close to 20 per cent and just behind that was bird's foot trefoil. Other identified plant pollen came from viper's bugloss, sumac, fragrant water lily, white clover, St. John's wort, alfalfa, golden rod, mint and yellow water lily.

Performing the test was Melissa

Girard, a melissopalynologist, who was impressed by the level of basswood pollen, describing its taste as "wonderful."

These results will be kept for two years. The remaining honey or pollen samples will be kept for one year.

His other sample contained white clover and crucifer. This sample's contents were not listed as a percentage because pollen grains were difficult to identify.

Lofthouse said the exercise satisfied his curiosity and will be part of his marketing, emphasizing the local qualities of his product.

"People like as close to local as possible. The closest agricultural area to us outside of Haliburton is Lindsay and that's where the Lindsay/Orillia area is considered local," he said.

The information can be used for reference, which he will use to compare to a planned future analysis.

"It's always of great interest to me. I've been a beekeeper for 50 years. I just love to be part of their activity," he said.

The next time he sees another beekeeper he plans to share the data he received as an example.

"This is what you can do with your



Haliburton's Ron Lofthouse stands in front of his apiary, holding the results from a lab, which revealed the composition of his honey. Lofthouse, who has always been fascinated by bees, discovered close to half of the sample he sent contained basswood among other things. He will use the findings to inform his customers, who value the local qualities of his honey and his candles. /DARREN LUM Staff

own honey," he said. "So that you can see where your bees have been and you're more knowledgeable about the products that they're going to."

Part of the motivation to do the testing came from a comment from a customer who tasted mint in Lofthouse's honey at the Haliburton Farmers' Market this past year. Lofthouse wasn't sure.

"It's questions like that ... you'll see in the analysis. There is mint in the honey,"

he said.

A beekeeper for five decades, which includes 10 years at his home in Haliburton, his knowledge comes from studying at Cornell University and the University of Guelph, Ridgetown campus. He also teaches a beekeeping workshop at Fleming College, which has moved to the Haliburton Highlands Museum. The upcoming workshop is Feb. 23.

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Canines create calm

Above, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student Jocelyn Chumbley hugs Jasper the dog during the school's Anti-Stress Week on Thursday, Jan. 17. Leadership class student Karley Wilson brought her family dogs Jasper and Zack, both standard poodles, as part of an effort to provide pre-exam stress relief lunch activities, which include board games, cards, trivia and sports.

Left, Maya Meraw smiles as she pets Jasper the dog during an anti-stress activity at HHSS in Haliburton.

/DARREN LUM Staff

Ministry changes financial aid system for students

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2019-2020 academic year in September.

"Colleges Ontario, the provincial advocacy body representing all Ontario colleges, is working with the government on these important policy changes. The ministry is expecting us to adapt and be innovative, and that is what we will do," O'Halloran said.

The PCs have also changed financial aid programs, doing away with the free tuition program for students from lower income families and switching to a blend of grants and loans. More grants are to be directed to the students coming from the lowest income families.

"The previous government believed in handing out OSAP [Ontario Student Assistance Program] money to some of Ontario's highest income earners with virtually no meaningful criteria for success," said Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, in a press release. "It is no surprise that student enrolment has remained flat while tuition rates skyrocketed. Instead of using OSAP to indirectly subsidize future rounds of tuition hikes, we will focus our resources on the families in greatest need while challenging our partners in the post-secondary sector to deliver better value for the high tuitions they already charge."

At Fleming College, about 4,158 students receive some level of financial support.

According to the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, the average university tuition in Ontario is nearly \$9,000 and the average college tuition is \$3,400. On average, college tuition will drop \$340 and \$660 for university students.

Tuition fees will be frozen for the 2020-2021 school year.

Students will also now be able to opt-out of ancillary fees, which include student government fees, club fees and other groups and services on campus. Previously, those charges were automatically added to the bill when students enrolled. Programs considered essential to student health and safety will not be optional.

A new approach to palliative care

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement is working with staff at Haliburton Highlands Health Services' long-term care homes, conducting a program known as EPAC, which stands for Embedding Palliative Approaches to Care.

The program helps staff of long-term care facilities have conversations with residents who could benefit from a palliative approach to care, a release from CFHI indicates, ensuring their needs are met.

This includes identifying residents who would benefit from this approach, discussing goals for care with those residents or their substitute decision-makers, and developing care plans for those residents.

"By spreading this approach, which originated in British Columbia, CFHI aims to increase capacity and capability in the delivery of palliative and end-of-life care in long-term care," the release reads. "Among other benefits, the program has been shown to avoid unnecessary trips to hospital in the last months of life."

EPAC was instituted in nearly 50 long-term care homes beginning in 2012 and an expansion of the program in 22 homes across five provinces and one territory includes Hyland Crest and Highland Wood, the HHHS-operating long-term care homes in Minden and Haliburton, respectively.

"People approaching the end-of-life should have the opportunity to make informed decisions about their care and treatment, in partnership with health-care

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Mayor, deputy mayor support examining gov't operations

JENN WATT

Editor

The mayor and deputy mayor of Dysart et al say they are supportive of examining the structure and operations of the current two-tier municipal system in search of efficiencies – though that doesn't necessarily lead to amalgamation.

The provincial PC government launched a governance review of 82 municipalities in the province last week. The reviews are being conducted by two experts in municipal governance and although no agenda has been set, questions to be answered include whether two-tier structures are appropriate, if the distribution of councillors represents the population well; and if services are allocated efficiently.

The District of Muskoka, which includes Bracebridge, Huntsville, Lake of Bays and Gravenhurst, is one of the municipalities being reviewed.

"I do think we need to have the discussion about how we can serve the people of Haliburton County as efficiently as possible," Andrea Roberts, Dysart et al mayor, said via email. "One of the outcomes might be amalgamation but it may not be. There are so many factors involved."

She envisioned a task force set up by the county including councillors and

experts who could examine the facts and look at an implementation plan.

Dysart Deputy Mayor Patrick Kennedy said that he was in favour of finding cost savings and improving services, but didn't think one tier was always the best solution.

"The argument in favour of moving to single tier is that services delivered by one, larger body will provide greater value for money for residents and more efficient public services. Many research papers have found that not to be the case, in fact some have become more expensive," Kennedy said in response to questions from the *Echo*.

He said Haliburton County Warden Liz Danielsen had committed to a review of services and he supported her direction.

Kennedy said he envisioned the process to start with hiring a consultant to review the current situation, reporting back to council, which would then have a conversation about next steps, which could include new roles for upper and lower tiers or a move to one tier.

Roberts said it was best that county council begin the conversation themselves.

"No one wants to be forced into it if it isn't what we want, but it would be best to be proactive now and start our own conversation. We know our community best," she said.

Large funding cut would likely lead to property tax hike

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townships, as well as the upper tier of the county itself, totalled more than \$7 million.

Minden Hills' OMPF allotment was \$1.73 million; Highlands East's \$1.9 million; Dysart et al's \$1.8 million; Algonquin Highlands' \$1.26 million; and the upper tier of the county received \$334,000 in its OMPF allotment.

Haliburton County Warden and Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen has penned a letter to Fedeli asking that funding levels for rural and northern municipalities be maintained, a letter that is being circulated to the county's lower-tier township councils for their support.

"The county and its constituent municipalities recognize the fiscal challenges faced by your government, and also realize that the OMPF program does not meet all of its original goals," Danielsen's letter reads.

"We agree the program needs to be reviewed and updated. It is our hope, however, that the renewed program will continue to support rural and northern municipalities who rely on this funding to provide effective services to our constituents. As you know, rural and northern municipalities face some unique challenges.

"For example, in rural Ontario there

are often five households per kilometre of roadway. This compares with 25 households in an urban setting. The same funding challenge exists with other services such as fire protection, policing, recreation, social housing, social services, land ambulance and others.

"Simply put, there are fewer residents to share similar costs. As well, in rural Ontario we are often required to contribute to services that are not funded by our urban colleagues. These include things like broadband and physician recruitment incentives."

The letter points out the municipal governments of the county collectively received more than \$7 million in OMPF funding for 2018.

"Should that funding be substantially reduced or completely eliminated, our residents could be faced with reduced services or very large property tax increases, that can reach as high as 25 per cent. When considering significant tax increases, one must also consider that our average after-tax annual household income is \$62,109. This is 21 per cent less than the provincial average. It is also important to note that over 36 per cent of our residents are over the age of 65."

Total OMPF allotments from the province to municipalities in 2018 were \$510 million.

Communication key in palliative care

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professionals and with their families," the release reads. "Good communication between health-care professionals and people approaching the end-of-life, and their families, is essential and should be sensitive to personal preferences. Providing quality palliative care not only sup-

ports the needs of residents, it empowers staff to care for dying residents and grieving families. It also allows homes to meet the expectations of families and the public that quality palliative care is an embedded component of the care available to all residents in long-term care."

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Funding education

COLLEGE and university students needed tuition relief. Ontario's tuition fees are higher than those in most of Canada, and well above what many young people and their families can afford.

The province's PC government announced those prices would be dropping by 10 per cent in the coming school year.

This is welcome news for students, however, for colleges the picture is more challenging. The promised cost reduction for students doesn't necessarily come with corresponding funding for colleges.

At Fleming College, which has a campus in Haliburton, the shortfall is estimated to be about \$2.5 million. In a comment to the *Echo*, the college said they would do all they can to minimize the impact on students and pledged to find innovative solutions to bridge the gap.

That's reassuring, but one has to wonder how those savings will be found and what programs, staff or services will be curtailed to make that happen.

Will Ontario's colleges and universities be able to continue to offer the same high quality education with a \$440 million loss in the 2019-2020 school year? Will class sizes go up? Will fewer courses be offered?

For some students, paying the bills will also be made more difficult.

The province announced changes to financial aid, removing the former Liberal government's "free tuition" program for students from lower income households and returning to a program with a higher proportion of loans.

The auditor general had found

that the Liberal's program was expensive and increased enrolment only two per cent.

While the lowered tuition fees will help make higher education more accessible to all, transitioning many students from grants to loans seems likely to do just the opposite.

At Fleming, more than 4,100 students receive some level of financial support.

The government has indicated that changes will be made to Ontario Student Assistance Program to ensure it helps those most in need, designating more of its grants to students from households earning \$50,000 or less.

According to reporting by the *Toronto Star*, "under the changes, students from the lowest-income families will qualify for non-repayable grants, though part of their student aid will also include a repayable loan."

Additionally, the six-month interest-free period for recent graduates will no longer be

interest free.

While the cost of education may be going down, some students' ability to pay those lower costs will also be affected.

We live in a country and an economy that requires post-secondary education for a high percentage of jobs – many of them paying modest salaries. A high school diploma for many employers is not enough.

If we want to ensure that high school students today have the best chance at getting a job and contributing to our economy, we need to invest more in our education system, and greatly lessen the debt burden on students.

Cuts to funding for schools and student grants is going in the wrong direction.



jenn watt

Editorial



Contrast in winter

by Darren Lum

Shared bliss

IF I WAS ASKED to sit around a table with a group of people and debate what would be the most fun thing to do on a Saturday night in winter in Haliburton County, I would definitely argue hands down that everyone should listen to great music and maybe even dance. In the "dead" of winter, we all benefit from being inspired to feel fully alive and vibrant and perhaps even a sense of shared bliss or joy. And dancing would warm everyone up on a cold night!

When people come together and dance (and listen to music) something really magical happens. People connect in ways beyond words and stories.

Barbara Ehrenreich wrote a book called *Dancing in the Streets: A History of Collective Joy* and in it she writes about the power of group festivities such as dance, and the joy that comes from them. Her book traces the history of community movement from prehistoric times. She talks about why we all benefit from moving in this way together. Personally, I have always loved to dance and be in the community of collective joy that happens on the floor.

Sue Shikaze thinks the same way and so as part of her volunteer job with the Haliburton County Folk Society, she decided to invite the Julian Taylor Band to come and perform and host a dance on Saturday, Feb. 9 in Haliburton at the Legion. She asked them because they are really high energy and a lot of fun.

Wendell Ferguson, who has performed here with Betty and the

Bobs, taught at the Haliburton School of Art + Design, and performed in Head Lake Park for the Tuesday night summer performances says that the Julian Taylor Band is the best band to see right now in Toronto. But thanks to Sue and the folk society we don't have to drive to the city, pay for parking or stay overnight.

The band is coming to us! There will be five people and they play rhythm and blues, hard rock, thoughtful folk songs and even a

little hip hop. It is an amalgamation of musical styles. It will be so much fun to just go and listen as well as dance.

Sue will be interviewing Julian Taylor on her afternoon radio show Northern Air which airs on 100.9 Canoe FM this Saturday, Jan. 26 from 4 to 6 p.m. Nick Russell and Benton Brown are the opening act for the band. They are born and raised

Haliburtonians who are friends, fathers, and husbands and play great music together. The whole evening is planned to be uplifting and inspiring and fun.

Here are all the details. You can buy tickets online at haliburtonfolk.com. The performance/dance is on Feb. 9. Doors open at 7 and music starts at 7:30.

The evening is being held at the Royal Canadian Legion Br 129, 719 Mountain Street. There will be chairs for those who want to sit and listen, and a dance floor for those who are ready to move. A cash bar will be available. For more information about Julian Taylor you can check www.juliantaylorband.com. Hope to dance with you!

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points of view

Cold snap

IN THE PAST, I have written about how dogs react to frigid weather. This, as far as I can ascertain, makes me Haliburton's pre-eminent expert in cold dog studies. I also know a thing or two about hot dogs.

But I digress. My studies continued this weekend when Millie, my canine guinea pig, showed the classic signs that she was getting bored with taking up the entire couch. Which is to say, at one point, she got up walked over to me and gave me a look that dog experts like myself take as, "Look my friend, neither of us is getting much exercise these days."

This was followed by another look that said, "How about we step outside for a minute and at least exercise your arm with a good game of fetch?"

The fact that I wrote those last three paragraphs should also hint that I am developing formidable expertise in the field of cabin fever induced delusion.

Nevertheless, Millie and I decided that we would brave the elements and play fetch on the front lawn. And this time I would throw.

So I got her favourite ball – the fluorescent green one with six years' worth of shared drool – and I put on my winter gear and we stepped outside in the balmy -30 with wind chill temperatures.

Then, because my arm had not frozen solid yet, I threw the ball.



steve
galea

Loon Tales

Millie watched this with a great deal of enthusiasm and then chased it to where it had disappeared in six inches of snow. Then she buried her face nose deep and brought it dutifully to me.

I quickly threw the second one. She ran over and got it and then, as if to prove who was smartest, made a bee-line for the front door while shooting me a look that said, "This was one of the dumbest ideas you've ever had." Which is saying something since she knows about the time I tried to patent the wooden barbecue.

Within seconds we were back in the house, and it occurred to me that I had probably spent more time getting into and out of my winter clothes than being outside.

Soon after that, Millie was back on the couch she had bought from me for a few trinkets and I was on the small, less comfortable chair reading my book. That's when Jenn walked in the room and said, "You two have a lot in common."

In response, Millie shot her a look that suggested she found that insulting – perhaps because I was holding my book upside down.

The truth is, unlike Millie, I wouldn't have minded staying out there a bit longer. Yet, I completely understand Millie's point of view on the matter, especially since she does not ever put on a down parka, insulated arctic boots, a hat, good mittens and sweater, winter pants and long johns – at least not without lots of help from me.

Frankly, even though I was dressed for the weather, I can't say I was enjoying it as much as I used to. Having said that, we did find one thing in common during that brief game of fetch.

Neither of us wants to freeze our tails off.

pic of the past



The old Minden school is seen here in 1939. On the left, the beginning of the new school can be seen, under construction. Our thanks to John Stouffer for bringing this photo in.

letters to the editor

May music continue to inspire

To the Editor,

Thanks to the *Echo* for their coverage in last week's edition of special musical events which recently happened in two of our local schools.

As a retired music teacher in both the elementary and secondary schools of our county, I was filled with joy and pride to read the well-written article by Darren Lum about the splendid accomplishments of Stuart Baker Elementary School music teacher Drew Hewitt – in acquiring the Music Canada Cares grant, and also for bringing such obvious joy of music to the students, as well as his wise comments on the importance of music in all our lives. Congratulations, Drew – you are an inspiration to all of us who love music and children.

And thanks also to Sue Tiffin for her photos and info of the HHSS drama club production of *Mamma Mia*, of which I was an enthusiastic member of the audience. Huge congratulations to the cast, the director and everyone involved in the show. (The dance numbers were especially well done!)

It brought back memories of 40 to 50 years ago when our High School Glee Club performed musicals and operettas on that same stage. May music, dance and drama continue to inspire the students of our schools, and thanks to those who help to make it happen.

Bill Gliddon
Haliburton

Protecting our wildlife from invasive species

To the Editor,

Re: "Trees tell the story of the Haliburton Highlands," *Haliburton Echo*, Jan. 15

We should heed Ernie Demuth's advice about

dealing with forest problems early on. And extrapolate to apply it to lakes and water, wildlife, and plants in our area.

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BOONIEVILLE



Hike Haliburton gets wintry

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

A snowshoeing-based spinoff of the Hike Haliburton Festival to be called Hike Haliburton Festival: Winter Edition will send snowshoers out into the woods of the Highlands next winter.

Members of the Haliburton County tourism advisory committee discussed the creation of the event during a Jan. 9 meeting.

"I'd really like to link it to the Hike Haliburton brand, just because I feel like it's already got so much brand value, people are familiar with it, it's in its 17th year, it'd be a very similar audience," county tourism director Amanda Virtanen told committee members.

While there has been some discussion of including "snowshoe" in the title of the event, "I'm kind of leaning toward a winter theme, just in case we were to get not great, or horrible rain," Virtanen said, emphasizing that using a winter theme would provide more of a catch-all.

It was Virtanen's recommendation that the event take place Jan. 24 to 26, 2020, to coincide with the Ontario Cup, a sanctioned snowshoeing race that will take place at Abbey Gardens. The race is also taking place there this winter.

Virtanen said along with the race, the Ontario Cup includes other wintry activities.

"I think people will know, based on this year, they can come and bring their families and do other things, so that's why I think it makes sense," she said.

Like Hike Haliburton, its winter incarnation would consist of a number of guided hikes at various locations throughout the county.

The Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships also typically take place in the county on weekends in late January and early February, and Virtanen said depending on scheduling, that could also offer an opportunity for co-promotion.

"I see your point about co-promoting, but I think there's more potential for conflict, personally," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor and County Warden Liz Danielsen, adding she thought that might create too many events for one weekend in the winter. "I wonder if it isn't going to split things up too much."

"The other concern I have is the accommodation limits we have in the winter-time," said Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy.

If the suggested date was going to change, Virtanen stressed the event should still take place close to the Ontario Cup.

"I think it should be on the weekend before or the weekend after though," she said, "because I think we really should still tie it to the snowshoe race."

Virtanen said the tourism department would also like to start promoting the event as soon as possible.

It was ultimately decided that further options on dates would come back to the county council table later this month.

A report from Virtanen included a number of options for festival names, including Hike Haliburton Festival: Winter Edition, Hike Haliburton Festival: Snow Edition, and Hike Haliburton Festival: Fun on Snow.

Phragmites requires our attention

from page 7

We should see the encroaching phragmites as a ballooning problem that has reached Haliburton. This tall exotic grass is an invasive plant species whose rampant growth along lakes and roads will easily overwhelm the area if not dealt with now. Natural lakeside plant life will disappear as these hardy invaders spread. We should all be educated now, so that as individuals, we can recognize it and begin to eradicate it in our own areas. Continually cutting off seed heads is a start. Government money would be well-spent to educate us and eradicate this invader now, before having to lose natural areas. Look for it. It is growing in patches already, that will quickly spread along lakes and roadsides. It has taken over roadsides in Quebec and decimated the shores of Grenadier Pond in Toronto. It now has a foothold along Hwy 400 north of Toronto.

As for beech bark disease, what about the wildlife that will be affected; bears and others depend on the beech nuts. What is being done now to help with their future in our forests? Will their problems in coping be manifested in ways that will impact on people/bear relations now and down the road? Taking the pressure off bears in the spring, when they emerge, weak from hibernation, could be a start: stopping the contentious spring bear hunt.

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Reminder

An *Echo* reader called in on Monday morning to remind her fellow residents to bring their dogs inside during days of extreme cold temperatures. The OSPCA's website states: "Exposure to harsh conditions can cause serious illness or death to animals, particularly during periods of freezing rain and rapid temperature fluctuations." For more information, go to ontariospca.ca/cold-weather-safety.html.

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Derby delights despite extreme cold

The harsh cold couldn't keep spectators away from cheering dogs and mushers on as they left the start line at the Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby held Jan. 19 and 20 on the Pinestone Resort grounds. /SUE TIFFIN Staff



A team crosses the finish line at the 2019 Haliburton Highlands Dogsled Derby.

Eager dogs awaiting the signal to run waited not-so-patiently at the start line to races.



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Haliburton cadets hit mark, advance to regionals

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The 1129 Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps – Haliburton were strongly represented at the South Eastern Ontario Area Cadet Biathlon on Jan. 12 at Camp Fortune in Chelsea, Quebec.

Four junior males (12 to 14 years) finished in the top

10 at this zone competition. Corin James Gervais finished first while Aiden Burk Hill was second, closely followed by Benjamin Rutter in fourth and Nicholas Phippen in sixth. Myles Sharp earned a “wild card” position at the event and will join his fellow cadets in advancing to the regional event in Sault Ste. Marie from Feb. 8 to 10. The zone cadet competition included a field of 114 cadet biathlon competitors from across the region. Forty cadets advanced to the regional event. 1129 cadet AJ Powell competed, but did not finish.

Rifles (.22 calibre) for this event were not carried while

skiing, but were waiting at the range for the target portion. This is the third year the cadets have competed in this event (formerly the Eastern Ontario Biathlon Competition). Biathlon is a sport that combines Nordic skiing and target shooting at a designated range.

Results: 1st, Corin Gervais, 0:31:44, 2nd Aiden Hill, 0:39:19, 4th Benjamin Rutter, 0:42:48, 6th Nicholas Phippen, 0:44:29, “wild card” spot earned by Myles Sharp, 0:54:02

With files from Stuart Humphries



The 1129 Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps – Haliburton competitors from left, Corin Gervais, Aidan Hill, Nicholas Phippen, with coach Stuart Humphries, Benjamin Rutter, AJ Powell and Myles Sharp represented the area well at the South Eastern Ontario Area Cadet Biathlon on Jan. 12 at Camp Fortune in Chelsea, Quebec. Five advanced to the regional event in Sault Ste. Marie, including Gervais and Burk taking the top two spots of the podium for juniors (12 to 14 years). /Submitted by Stuart Humphries



Corin Gervais takes a turn on his way to winning at the South Eastern Ontario Area Cadet Biathlon on Jan. 12 at Camp Fortune in Chelsea, Quebec. Gervais advanced to the regional event in Sault Ste. Marie by finishing on top of the podium for juniors (12 to 14 years).

minor hockey

Atoms

The first round of playoffs began this weekend for the Ridgewood Ford and Cottage Country Building Supplies Atom team versus the Durham Crusaders. The last time our Atoms had faced the Crusaders was on Nov. 4 having won that meeting 3-2 at A.J LaRue arena. On Saturday the puck dropped at noon and we were off to the races. Both teams exchanged strong rushes and it wasn't until Josh Scheffee walked in all alone on the right side that the ice was broken. His opening goal was assisted by Brady Burtch and Austin Latanville. Moments later a Jace Mills blast develops into a juicy rebound right onto Deegan Davison's tape and he banged it in for a big contribution. Big puck battles see the lead change a few times in the second period. Liam Harrison from Scheffee and an Latanville goal assisted by Owen Sisson add up to four Storm goals to bring the game to a tie with just minutes left in the game. An own zone clearing attempt had Parker Simms carry the puck up the ice only to get badly hooked to the ice with no call and the resulting turnover found the back of our net. The Storm played a

solid game and was ready for game two on home ice on Sunday afternoon. Our 4:30 p.m. start had the team well rested and ready to tie up the series showing strong neutral zone play in the early going resulting in the opening goal by Evan Jones assisted by Latanville. We kept the Crusaders from making clean entries which led to more offensive zone pressure as the Storm forechecked hard. Storm forwards had their opponents on their heels and just minutes later Latanville found the twine assisted by Jones and Scheffee leading to a surprise goalie change in the first period. The second period had our opponents playing their top forwards trying to get on the board and that proved to be a challenge. The Storm went on to score two more goals to add to their lead. Liam Harrison scored assisted by Owen Sisson and Scheffee and Latanville added the fourth and final goal assisted by McLean Rowden to make a final score of 4-1. There's no denying the potential that this Atom team carries into this their first round of the playoffs. We hit the road early this weekend to face the Crusaders back on their home ice on Saturday.

By Pasi Posti

Midgets

The Highlander and Ed Smolen Family Dentistry Storm Midgets met with the Shelburne Wolves for game 2 of the playoffs, Saturday, Jan. 19, in Haliburton. Down one game, the Storm was hoping to take advantage and even the score with a home ice win. They did their best but came up short on luck and were down by a goal after the first period. Early in the second period, the Wolves capitalized on the man advantage with a power play goal. The Storm got a break when Smith drew the defence and goalie leaving MacNaull to capture the opening for the goal. A 2-1 game at the start of the third period with both teams pushing hard. Halfway through, the Wolves widened the gap with another goal, making it a 3-1 game. Minutes later Haedicke dangled in, took a shot and picked up his own rebound for the goal. The clock ticked down with the Storm team doing their best to tie things up. With just seconds left, the Wolves finished things off with an open net goal, 4-2 final. The next day, the Storm team set off to Shelburne for the “do

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Red Hawks junior forward Holden Dupret-Smith works to corral a loose ball while being held by a Spartans defender during Kawartha High School Basketball League action on Tuesday, Jan. 15 in Haliburton. The Hawks dominated the game, beating the Kawartha West best LCVI Spartans 42-24. Hawks post player Ryan Mee led all scorers with 10 points. /DARREN LUM Staff

Hawks topple top ranked Spartans

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

When it comes to watching basketball in the Highlands, the Red Hawks junior boys basketball team is it. Being the only show in town, the team is proving to be worthy of great entertainment for how they execute on both ends of the floor and the excitement they play with.

For the most part, the team has been competitive in every game. Currently third, the team is on the move, having won four in row. Their latest victory, coming against the Kawartha West division leading Spartans of Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute on Tuesday, Jan. 15 in Haliburton.

This game was more than a 42-24 win over a division rival, it was a statement, said head coach Paul Longo.

He calls this an overall solid performance for his team, who came very close to playing as well as they possibly can on defence and offence.

"That was our most complete game for sure. We played with discipline. We played with purpose. We played great defence the whole game really. That's the best team in the [division] right now so

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*We played with discipline.
We played with purpose.*

— Paul Longo

it's nice to get a win like that at home," he said. "I've been telling these guys that we're right there with I.E. Weldon and LCVI and we're showing it so it's a good character win for us."

The Hawks' win puts them in second just two points behind the Spartans and I.E. Weldon, who also won on the same day. After this victory, the Hawks are 1-1 when it comes to head-to-head match-up with the Spartans.

Getting the win helps to avenge the early season 42-38 loss played in Lindsay back on Dec. 11.

This game was close after the first quarter when it was 11-10 for the visiting Spartans. However the Hawks took over the second quarter and then took a 19-10 lead into the halftime break.

The depth of the squad was on showcase in this game when the team really needed to show that extra gear and retake control of the game, which appeared to shift.

At the end of the third, the Hawks starters were tiring and the Spartans capitalized, going on a mini six to two run. Just before Longo called a time-out, he recognized the fatigue setting in and turned to Vikram Marathe and Brenden Newhook for a change of pace.

"I just said, 'Boys, get out there and play good defence,'" he said.

They brought energy and tenacity to the floor, helping set the Spartans back on their heels. The lead was pushed to 33-20 to end the third quarter. In a few minutes of playing time to close the quarter, Newhook got a steal while Marathe helped with an assist and a bucket.

Another bench player Longo was impressed by was Teo O'Malley.

He played with intensity and purpose and got "everybody fired up."

O'Malley was solid defensively and scored five of his seven points in the second half to ensure the Spartans didn't get a whiff of hope of a comeback.



Red Hawks junior centre Ryan Mee leans back for a shot, earning a trip to the foul line against a Spartans defender.

Defence has been the hallmark for the team this season and it was on display against the Spartans, who have scored the points in all of Kawartha with 473 after nine games.

"Our press is really working well right now. Guys are buying into it. They believe in it and they want to do it. They got quick feet and fast hands. Things are working well that way right now. We can't get too ... it's a good win, but we've got a lot of work to do still, but we'll take it. We'll be happy for it."

Longo said the team made a minor tweak to the press, applying the pressure at the half court.

"It's allowing our big men to drop back a little more in case of a long pass. It seems to be working out well," he said.

As of Thursday, the Hawks have the second best points allowed average among all 16 Kawartha League teams. They have allowed 195 points after seven games for a 27.8 per game allowed average compared to the St. Mary team with an average of 25.6 per game after playing only five games.

The Spartans also learned that even if they break the press there is another line of defence to overcome to score. Coming up with some seven blocks was centre Jaxon Gill, who also added five points.

Longo commends all of his "big" players at the five – such as Gill and Ryan Mee, who scored 10 points to lead the team and the game, for being effective in the paint, whether that's swatting away balls or pulling down rebounds.

"Our big men have been playing really well down low. They're really asserting themselves," he said.

Longo adds he suspects rebounding was in the Hawks' favour.

Scoring 42 points wasn't a fluke for the Hawks, who are close to the top teams.

The development and success of the offence has compared well to what has happened with the defence.

There were plenty of points off turnovers and on fast breaks. However off of dead ball plays, the team has shown an ability to work the shot clock down, working toward open looks inside or on the perimeter.

Longo said execution by his players has come from their patience, but, more importantly, from their willingness to listen to the coaches and follow through with game plans.

Some of this is probably coming from the positive atmosphere surrounding the team, as result of the players' chemistry.

"There is a nice team vibe here. Everybody is pulling for each other, whether they're on the bench or on the floor and you know we're trying to get lots of minutes for everybody and it's working out well so far," he said.

This game could conceivably be their last regular season home game unless an earlier scheduled game against I.E. Weldon, which was postponed due to school bus cancellations, is moved to Haliburton. It has not been rescheduled yet. The team has two scheduled games on the road.

First, they will play rival single A team St. Thomas Aquinas on Thursday, Jan. 17 in Peterborough and then square off against the Falcons of Fenelon Falls Secondary School on Tuesday, Feb. 5 in Fenelon Falls. Both division opponents are lower in the standings than the Hawks, but as the Spartans found out nothing is certain in high school basketball.

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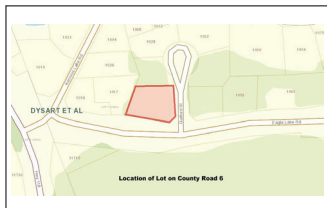
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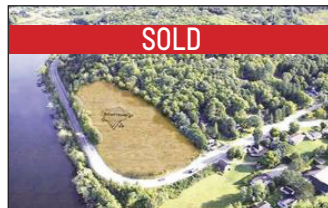
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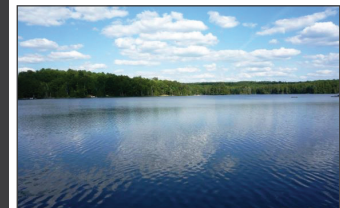
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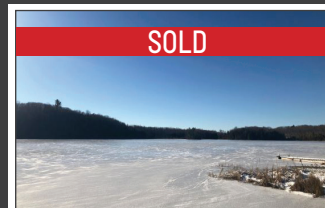
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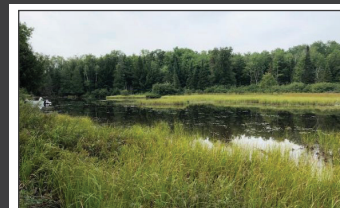
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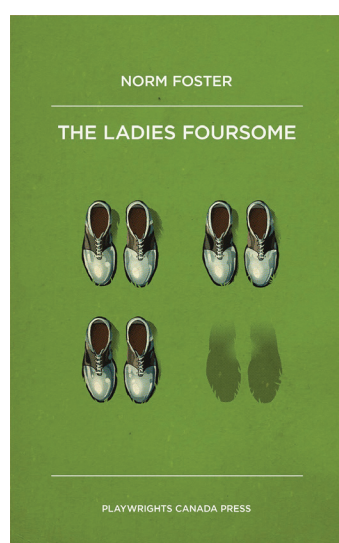
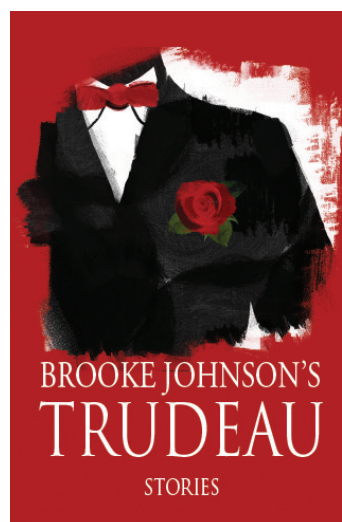
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Hawks soaring higher, beat Falcons

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

It wasn't pretty by any measure, but the Hawks pulled out the 3-2 win over the visiting Falcons of Fenelon Falls.

With just five extra players on the bench (three forwards and two defencemen), the Falcons were at a disadvantage to start the game against the red and white, who had their full complement of players (three lines and four defencemen, missing only Shawn Walker to injury). It's unconfirmed, but several Falcons players were healthy scratches.

The Hawks did not play to their strengths. Instead, they let the Falcons dictate for portions of the game.

Hawks coach Jason Morissette acknowledged the team's poor play, believing they only followed the team system of play for a quarter of the game. However he will take the win and the two points.

He told them, "The positive [thing] is you won. I'm never going to be negative about winning a hockey game. The part that is a struggle is you know we had some defensive lapse there, struggles in our own end, couldn't get it out. Basically, it's a little bit of guys, I would say, you know, when a team is coming out and they're really competing hard. Fenelon came off a big win 4-1 over the top place team this past week. So they got some confidence. I thought they played really well. They came out and really competed. Their top players came out and really competed. You've got to come out with the same compete [level]."

That said, Morissette has seen his team be strong at the start, but lose their focus at the midway point.

"Our team every time this year. Every game that we've started our team has come out going hard. So they've come out going hard it's in the mid half of the game sometimes until the end there has been some games [the focus hasn't been there]. It's more mental. It's not physical. They had 10 players. We had a full bench so it's about guys with their match-ups. Guys and their positions. It's about winning puck battles so we mentioned it during the game. We did see a number of players a little lack of urgency there. A little lack of discipline. Discipline becomes a problem when you're out of position because you're not get up and go. You have to get up and go to be there and you have to have some heart. So that's the mental game," he said.

He recognizes these are just "kids" and there is a lot happening with them that he doesn't know about, or how they have other hockey team commitments.

"You do give them some breaks. At the same time we have good opportunities to advance in the league," he said.

The win improves the Hawks to 6-2-0. Goalie Jaxson Campbell earned the win. The team has only allowed 11 goals in eight games this season.

The varsity hockey team is climbing the standings and is now in third place (as of Thursday, Jan. 17) with 12 points with their recent win. The Kawartha table is crowded with five positions, shared by eight teams and separated by just four points – two points for a win and one point for a tie.

Getting the Hawks on the board first was Joe Boice with assists from Alex Little and Zach Morissette in the first few minutes of the game.

The second goal for the Hawks was scored by defenceman Dylan Keefer with minutes left in the second. His goal tied up the game 2-2.

Hawks forward Lucas Haedicke scored the eventual game-winner (short-handed) in the final minute of the second period with a backhand shot, beating the Falcons goalie blocker side.

He was happy with getting the game-winner.

In reference to the less than perfect game by the Hawks, part of the issue in Wednesday's game for the defence was getting caught flat-footed.

The Falcons for their part moved the puck well, using speed to pressure the defence. The Hawks forwards weren't without criticism for the defensive woes, however.

Morissette said defence involves everyone.

He wants more pressure on the puck carrier of the opposing team than what was exhibited by his front lines. Their pressure helps the defence.

"If we don't pressure the puck it's allowing guys to come out with speed against one or two tired defencemen," he said.

It's also important, he said, for his players to recognize who is on the ice, whether the opposing players possess the kind of skills to be a threat. This understanding is



Fenelon Falls Falcons captain Ross Nettinga battles with Red Hawks player Nik Dollo for a loose puck along the boards during Kawartha High School Hockey League action on Wednesday, Jan. 16 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. The Hawks beat the Falcons 3-2. The game-winner was scored by Lucas Haedicke./DARREN LUM Staff



Red Hawks player Zach Morissette carries the puck, as Falcons defender Nick Harris attempts to slow down the speedy forward while on the backcheck.

critical to know the odds of what may happen in the case of a turnover when pushing the offence.

This one with its glaring issues on defence will be able to be one of those games, which will be used as a teaching aid and a building block to (hopefully) a championship.

"There's always a learning opportunity, right? So if they're reminded and shown an inventory of games in which they tried to do their thing that doesn't work very well then hopefully they go in here and go, 'we tried to do that. We tried to run and gun. That doesn't work very well. We're not getting the goals. We're not getting the opportunities. We're actually stressed out because we're letting the team into the game,'" he said.

Conversely, he said, showing them games when adhering to the system translates to a more dominating performance will instill confidence about playing as a team.

"If you can use those games versus maybe a game like this to kind of say, 'Look what we do here and if you do that we can win against really, really strong high school teams, if we get away from that look what happens. We're going to lose or make it really stressful for ourselves,'" he said.

This is owed to the players buying in, he adds.

As of Wednesday, Jan. 16, the team is tied with

Cobourg, a AAA team, for third. Four games remain in the regular season. The Hawks' next home game is against St. Mary, who are currently second in Kawartha with a 6-1-1 record, on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. The puck drops at 4 p.m.

Morissette is getting his team to work toward finishing on top, which will benefit the team's aspirations for a Kawartha championship.

"It is a big deal. Especially if you can host the tournament in your rink. You're not riding on a bus all the way down there, but it's up to them. I mentioned that to them. [The coaching staff] can only do so much. We can remind them. We can show them, but we don't play," he said. "They're a good bunch and I can say this to you guys is that on the ice and off the ice this group has been great. They've been great at tournaments. They've been great for the most part at every game so there is a lot of potential in terms of leadership there. There's a lot of respect. They do want to do well. They do want to represent well. They have a lot of pride in their school and the communities they come from so you can work with that."

He said finishing the regular season in first place will give the team more than an opportunity to host the AA Kawartha Championship tournament. It will also earn the team a bye of the first round. A date for Kawartha has not been set yet.

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or die" game 3. An incredibly intense game from the start. It was end-to-end action for both the first and second scoreless periods. The Storm kept the pressure

on in the third and it paid off. It was Gilbert's sharp shot that found the top corner opening for the goal. Shortly after, the Wolves got a questionable goal that tied it up. The Storm team kept pressing, however, it was the Wolves that got lucky

with the go ahead goal. It was time for the Storm to step up and they did, each player dug a bit deeper. Gilbert's determination and drive created the opportunity as he pushed hard fighting through the defence, got a partial shot off that Clements took to seal the goal and tied the game. This sent the game into overtime. The entire Storm team got the boost they needed to dominate the last minutes of the game and kept the pressure on in overtime. Minutes into it, MacNaull brought it from behind the net, fed Smith and he tipped it in for a well deserved 3-2 overtime win.

By Suzanne Haedicke

saves. The defensive team, Jaxen Casey, Ethan DeCarlo, Jack Tomlinson, and Easton Burk stopped the Stars with aggressive back-checking. In the third, Matthew Scheffee passed from the boards to Henry Neilson in front the net, who put in the third goal for the Storm. Isaac Trotter took the puck the length of the ice for a shot on net, and Neilson picked up the rebound and placed it top right to tie the game. After three periods, the score was a 4-4 tie, which sent the teams into a fourth period, sudden death, overtime. After five exciting, nail-biting minutes, Rupnow passed the puck up the ice to Perrott, who passed it to Luke Gruppe who fired it in top left for a 5-4 victory for the Storm. The team will face the Wasaga Beach Stars for two more games next weekend. Good luck, Novices!

By Sarah Gruppe

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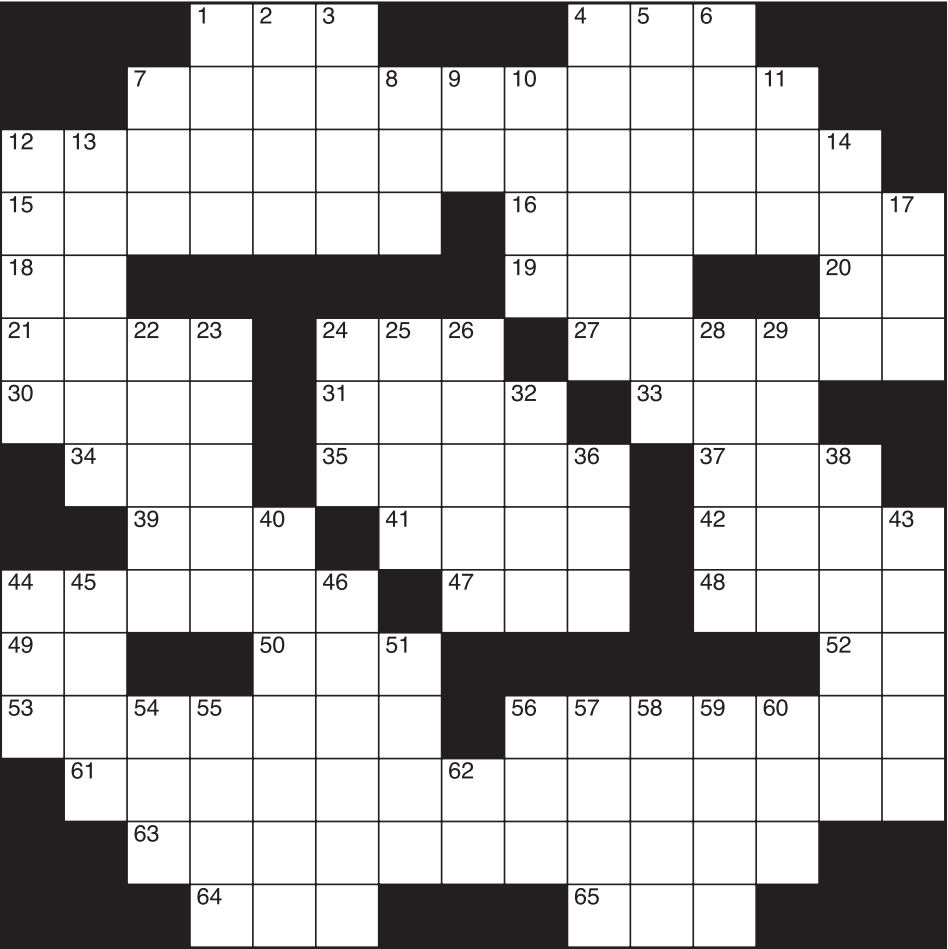


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CLUES ACROSS

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- 4. One point north of due east
- 7. Marital
- 12. Religious building
- 15. Intrinsic nature of something
- 16. Safe to drink
- 18. Letter of credit
- 19. Single Lens Reflex
- 20. Keeps you cool in summer
- 21. Monetary unit
- 24. The Eye Network
- 27. Moving with a bounding stride
- 30. Figures
- 31. Of the pia mater
- 33. Male offspring
- 34. Indicates near
- 35. Calvary sword
- 37. South American plant
- 39. Doctor of Education
- 41. Something to take
- 42. Remove the edges from
- 44. Inattentive
- 47. Pick up
- 48. Latch for a window
- 49. Region of the U.S.

- 50. Windy City ballplayer
- 52. The NFL's big game (abbr.)
- 53. Be permanently present in
- 56. Novice
- 61. Pirate novel
- 63. In a law-abiding way
- 64. Where one sleeps
- 65. Criticize

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Bullfighting maneuver
- 2. Egyptian Sun god
- 3. Predatory semiaquatic reptile
- 4. Register formally
- 5. Eating houses
- 6. Japanese port
- 7. Genus of rodents
- 8. Nigerian city
- 9. Milliwatt
- 10. Mistake!
- 11. Women's __ movement
- 12. Greeting
- 13. Songbirds
- 14. An arrangement scheme
- 17. Heartbeat test
- 22. Push back
- 23. Intended for the audi-

- ence only
- 24. Cycles per second
- 25. Impartiality
- 26. Polio vaccine developer
- 28. Bowel movements
- 29. South American Indian
- 32. Queen of Sparta
- 36. Confederate soldier
- 38. Emerged
- 40. Death
- 43. __ and flowed
- 44. Folk singer DiFranco
- 45. Email folder
- 46. Throbbled rhythmically
- 51. English rockers
- 54. Disaster relief operation
- 55. American model and TV personality Katherine
- 56. Potable
- 57. Tough outer layer
- 58. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
- 59. Troubles
- 60. Negative
- 62. Camper

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Novice

The first play-off game didn't go as expected for the Haliburton TimberMart/Haliburton Hockey Haven Sports Camp Novice Reps. On Saturday, the team travelled to Wasaga Beach for their first game against the Stars. The first period was continuous fast paced action with few shots taken by either team. In the second, the Stars outshot the Storm resulting in three goals for the Stars. Finally, Jack Tomlinson saw an opportunity and carried the puck the length of the ice to score the Storm's first and only goal of the game. The Stars put in another goal in the third period taking a 4-1 win. On Sunday, the team redeemed themselves on their home ice during their second game against the Wasaga Beach Stars. The Stars put in four goals before Evan Perrott took a pass from Easton Burk during a Stars power-play, and carried the puck from centre ice right into the net. Three minutes later, Luke Gruppe took the puck from Perrott, skated behind the net and passed to Max Rupnow who shot it in. Goalie, Carter Braun made several incredible

Peewee A

On Jan. 19 JoAnne Sharpley's Source for Sports/Haliburton Family Medical Centre Highland Storm Peewee A travelled to Oshawa to play game one of the MPS playoffs against the Durham Crusaders. The Peewee A Storm played hard but the game ended in a 3-3 tie. Goals scored by Addison St Cyr and Cheyenne Degeer. On Jan. 20, the Peewee A Storm hosted the Durham Crusaders for game two of the MPS playoffs. The first period started with a beautiful goal by Addison St Cyr. Then just before the period ended Mak Prentice took a shot from the blue line and Addison St Cyr tipped it in the net. It was 2-0 going into the second. The second period was all the Crusaders. They scored two goals and the game was tied. The third period started with an early goal

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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, February 11, 2019** at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, this Application for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- 1. File No. H-022/18
Applicant: Harburn Holdings Ltd.
Location of the Property: Lot 4, Plan 19M12, Geographic Township of Harburn, now in the Municipality of Dysart et al.
Nature of the Application: Easement for Right-of-Way
- 2. File No. H-023/18
Applicant: B.T.F. Ventures Inc.
Location of the Property: Lot 5, Plan 19M12, Geographic Township of Harburn, now in the Municipality of Dysart et al.
Nature of the Application: Easement for Right-of-Way

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Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of January, 2019.

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Where: Haliburton Museum
Topic: History of the Minden Times
Speaker: Jack Brezina

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Where: Abbey Retreat Centre, 1150 Garden Gate Drive, West Guilford
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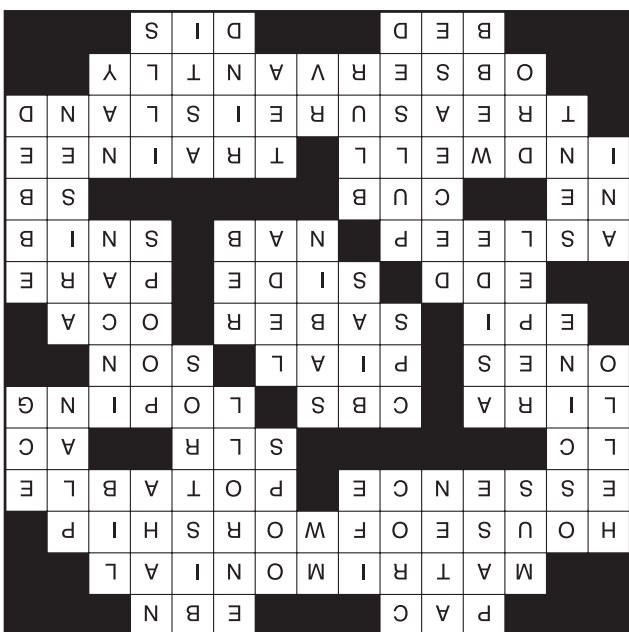
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by Addison St Cyr. Then it was just keeping the upper hand. It was a nail biter but the Storm held on and took the first win of the playoff series. The final score was 3-2.

The Peewees play their third MPS playoff game in Oshawa on Saturday, Jan. 26 at 11:45 a.m. and will host the Crusaders on Sunday, Jan. 27 at 12:30 in Haliburton for game four.

By Amber Card

Tyke

On Saturday, Jan. 19 the Tom Prentice and Sons & Walker's Heating and Cooling Storm Tyke team played against the South Muskoka Bears Tyke team. The first period saw the Bears scoring six goals and Highland Storm's Nixon Ecclestone getting a hat trick. During the second the Bears scored another six goals, Storm didn't back down and scored a couple of their own by #8 Rowan Johnson and #10 Kelson Bagshaw. These boys weren't down yet and opted to play a third period where the Bears scored seven more and Ecclestone scored his fourth of the game, Brady Burk scored one and Ecclestone scored two more! The Highland Storm Tyke team will be practicing next weekend gearing up for their Jam-boree in Peterborough the first weekend in February.

By Marita Bagshaw

Atom 2 LL

The Highland Storm LL Atom 2 TD Canada Trust hosted Almaguin Ice Devils on Saturday and nobody was going to give up. During the first period the Ice Devils were starting to show they are here to play hockey and never give up no matter what. With the Ice Devils finding the back of the net twice to open off the scoring.

But with two minutes left in the first period Logan Reid was showing her persistent nature and found the back of the net. During the second period Brian Robichaud was showing his awesome goaltending skills and keeping the puck out of our net.

With a tennis like match playing back and forth Reid was able to battle the puck out and score his second of the game. With our goalie switched out Zach Lowe was finding multiple shots on net but was able to scramble and keep the Ice Devils shots out of the net, but with the persistent forwards the Ice Devils were able to sneak a nice shot in to tie up the game with 20 seconds left. During the third period the Ice Devils scored early to take the lead. But the Storm refused to give up and their persistent puck handling proved who they were and with a pass from Owen Megrah-Poppe from the blue line Ethan Rowe scored his first goal of the season. With Ice Devils still up by one the Storm were staying to scramble and make plays from end to end and with the fans biting their nails in anticipation of another goal, Kamauhl Cassey Russel was able to score a beauty shot to tie up the game with one second left. Player of the game goes to Ethan Rowe.

By Chris McMartin

Pee wee LL

On Saturday, Jan. 19 the Walkers Home Hardware LL Pee wee team had another close game with the Canadian Tire Storm LL Pee wee team. The first period was action packed but neither team could come up with any points.

Daniel Stephen went end to end scoring the first and only goal of the second period putting Walkers in the lead.

The Canadian Tire team came out strong in the third

scoring two back-to-back goals. Walkers tied it up at the 12 minute mark with a goal by Alex Hendry assisted by #15 Weston Bowker. The Canadian Tire team wasn't about to let up scoring another two goals. Wyatt Raposo scored the final goal unassisted making the final score 4-3 for the Pee wee Canadian Tire team. Walkers Home Hardware had another game on Sunday against Huntsville. Huntsville dominated the first scoring two unanswered goals. Huntsville started the scoring the second but Storm's Cayden Russell scored with a slap shot from the blue line, assisted by Nathan Harrison. Huntsville answered with two more goals. Huntsville again found the back of net starting the third. Storm kept up the pressure with Weston Bowker scoring a beauty assisted by Emery Bagshaw and Alex Hendry. Huntsville flooded Storm's net with three more goals making the final score 9-2. Walkers Pee wee team travels to Gravenhurst Saturday to play Parry Sound at 12:30 p.m.

By Marita Bagshaw

Novice 2 LL

On Saturday the Dewayen Simms LL Novice 2 team and the Bright Woods Landscaping and Consulting Novice 1 team faced off. It was a back and forth action-packed game!

Brightwoods was first on the scoreboard as Cruz Neave landed the puck in the net, assisted by Gideon Borgdorff. Twelve seconds later Dewayen Simms Construction answered back by an unassisted goal by Mason Latanville. Dewayen Simms Construction took the lead in the first as McCartney Saunders and Mason Latanville both landed unassisted goals. The second period started off with a Brightwoods goal from Brody Hartwig, assist going to Hunter Hamilton. Again, Dewayen Simms Construction was quick to answer back with an unassisted goal by Saunders. The back and forth action continued as Tyler Hughes snuck one past Dewayen Simms Construction goalie, Landyn Simms.

Neave tied the game up four minutes into the third, unassisted. Dewayen Simms Construction took the lead again as Brycen Harrison found the net, with an assisted goal by Travis Rowe. Ten seconds later Brightwoods tied the game back up with an unassisted goal from Hartwig. Saunders then snuck his third of the game in the net past Brightwoods goalie Carter Knapton. Ten seconds later Saunders with another, assisted by Harrison. After a great battle between the LL Storm Novice Teams, Dewayen Simms Construction takes the win 7-5.

By Stephanie Harrison

Midget LL

The Pharmasave Highland Storm LL Midgets played the Parry Sound Shamrocks last weekend in Minden. The Shamrocks took the lead four minutes into the game but the Storm's Brenden Newhook continued his hot streak tying the game seconds later on a hard wrist shot. Parry Sound regained the lead with only seconds to go in the opening period. Jake Sisson jumped on a rebound shot from Sam Hoenow to tie the game on a very impressive power play and Paul Turner scored on the next shift to put our locals ahead for the first time in the game. Lexi Tait almost made it 4-2 when she was setup all alone in front of the net by Newhook. Paul Turner got his second of the night crossing the blue line, faking the defender with a stutter step and scoring on a rocket snap shot. The Shamrocks closed the gap to one on a power play goal near the end of the second period but the Storm continued to press and almost regained their two goal cushion when Jayme Coltman was robbed on a beautiful save by the Parry Sound goalie. There was no scoring in the third and the Storm hung on for a 4-3 win beating two of the Parry Sound teams on consecutive weekends

By Gord Hoenow



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Murray David Simmons

Entered into rest at Haliburton Hospital on January 20, 2019, at the age of 72.

Predeceased by parents George & Grace Simmons and brother Perry (Squeak). Survived by brothers Tom (Sandra), Fred (Carol), George (Glenda) and Barry (Maxine).

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will take place at a later date.

The family has requested Memorial Donations should be sent to Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, so others can receive the great care that he had.



Aileen Peters (nee Austin)

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at Highland Wood in Haliburton on Thursday evening, January 17, 2019 in her 91st year. Beloved wife of Carmen Peters for over seventy years. Loving mother of Marie (Ron Boyda), Randy and Catherine (Lou O'Hara). Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Amanda (Jamie Crosier), Amber Wilkins, Jasmine (Matthew Rogers), and Andrew (Shannon MacInnis) and great-grandchildren Porter, Harlyn and Julie. Dear sister of Bob (Nellie), Joyce (Keith - predeceased) and brother Doug (Shirley). Predeceased by her parents Orville and Leah Austin and in-laws Ray and Dorothy Peters. Also fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, Maria Fifield, other family members and her many friends. Aileen was very compassionate. She lived in the moment appreciating all the little things in life and exuded love and warmth with her infectious smile to all those around her.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Monday January 21, 2019 from 3 - 6 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Tuesday morning, January 22, at 11 o'clock. Reception to follow in The Community Room. Interment later Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family.

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Ken Tink

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully surrounded by his family on Tuesday evening, January 8, 2019 in his 84th year. Beloved husband and best friend of Margaret Tink (nee MacGregor) for over sixty years. Loving father of Marilyn (Dave Duhaime), Joan (Dennis Sobil) and Glenn (Laura). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Mike (Laura), Erin (Simon), Jeff (Chris), Mitch (Katie), Kirstyn (Alex), Kaleigh (Justin) and by his great grandchildren Riley, Corbin, Jack and Josie. Dear brother of Muriel Shackelton. Predeceased by his brother Walter and his sister Loraine. Also lovingly remembered by his many nieces, nephews and grand puppies. Ken was a retired General Motors office employee. He enjoyed skiing, waterskiing, restaurants, his trips to Florida, visiting with friends and most of all his family, especially the furry ones.

Visitation, Celebration Of Life & Reception

Friends called at **LAKESIDE CHURCH** 9 Park Street, Haliburton, Ontario on Wednesday afternoon, January 16, 2019 for a Celebration of Ken's life at 3 o'clock. Reception followed in the Fellowship Hall. Interment later at Ebenezer Cemetery, Courtice. As expressions of sympathy, donations to Extencicare - Proud Pioneers or the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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He is greatly missed by his wife Maureen, his family and his friends.

Charles' wake will be held at the Dominion Hotel, 113 Main St. Minden on Saturday January 26, 2019 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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Born in Fredericton, Phil attended the University of New Brunswick and moved with his family to Welland Ontario.

Son of James Thompson Mavor and Jennie Mavor, Phil was a high school teacher for many years in the greater Toronto area. Building a cottage on Loon Lake in the early sixties, he spent his summers puttering around with his homemade boat.

Phil was a character, and his hobbies included an avid love of classical music, a constant belief in walking each day for health and an interest in gardening at home in Niagara Falls and at his cottage. He visited his sister, Ruth Wrenshall each Christmas in Florida as well as his nieces, Barbara and Judith and their families.

A graveside interment service was held at Pleasantview Memorial Gardens in Fonthill, Ontario on Thursday January 17, 2019 at 2 pm.

A celebration of life service will be held in the spring for his family and friends at his Haliburton cottage.

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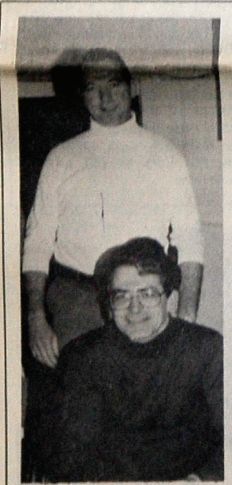
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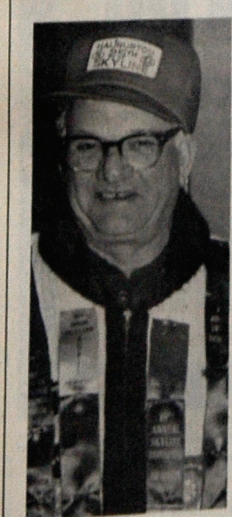
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Bridge is debated

Decision not to replace under fire

The Ingoldsby bridge issue, which once appeared to be settled, is still the focus of opposing viewpoints among county councillors. Council's road committee decided recently to repair the bridge rather than replace it, anticipating that the present, one lane bridge could be made safe for at least five years with steel work repairs costing \$6000, plus paint, labour and materials.

The decision was greeted with satisfaction by property owners and cottage associations in the area, who had lobbied against a new bridge, but it angered Anson, Hindon and Minden council, which passed a resolution asking for a report on the factors influencing the decision. And the decision also raised the ire of Dysart et al reeve Murray Fearrey, who last Wednesday took the county roads committee to task on the issue, terming it "short term savings and short term thinking".

Fearrey said the committee should not consider the bridge as an isolated problem, but should look at "the overall picture". Since the county took over the South Kashiagawigamog Lake Road, now County Road 18, it has spent almost a million dollars to repair and resurface it, he pointed out. Plans also called for curbs and gutters in the hamlet of Ingoldsby, but these have been given a low priority.

To date, the county has spent approximately \$50,000 on engineering fees, expropriation and court costs, Fearrey noted. "Are we just going to throw that away?"

Fearrey said it appears that the county "has lost sight of the overall scope of what we're trying to do with county roads because of dollars".

Roads committee chairman Bill Howe countered that "needs have changed", that growth has been less than was anticipated in a roads needs study completed several years ago, and that County Road 18 "does not have a commercial value". He cited problems with clearance between the proposed new bridge and water in the channel

it spans, as well as escalating costs, as reasons for keeping the old bridge in place. The accident rate on the bridge "is zero" Howe said, and most of the heavy vehicles that would use the bridge are county trucks from the Ingoldsby yard.

But Fearrey was not persuaded. "Should people in Ingoldsby expect not to be able to get a cement truck over it forever?" the Dysart reeve asked. He said the 11 ton load limit on the existing bridge presented problems for any large vehicles, including the county's tandem dump trucks and grader.

The concern did not appear to budge the committee from its position. Howe noted that trucks could avoid the bridge and still reach Ingoldsby from Haliburton and Minden along alternate roads.

Discussion expanded to include the county's policy with respect to assuming municipal roads. Fearrey questioned a recent decision to take over the Bobcaygeon Road from Anson, Hindon and Minden, since millions of dollars would have to be spent to bring it up to county standards, and traffic counts on the road are very low.

Monmouth reeve Keith Tallman said he too "wondered why" the county would assume the Bobcaygeon Road if dollars were a priority with the committee.

Lutterworth deputy reeve Glynne Lewis also questioned the committee's decision, noting that "there is a perfectly good highway (Hwy. 35) two miles away" which takes traffic in an out of Minden.

But Anson, Hindon and Minden deputy reeve Ed Dempsey defended the assumption of the Bobcaygeon Road. He said it provides access to lakes where development is taking place. He also noted that while AH and M provides 19 percent of the county's budget on an apportionment basis, the municipality has only six percent of the county's roads.

Howe countered that AH and M gets other benefits from its share of county costs, notably county offices and the jobs that go with them.

No conclusions were reached in the discussions. However the road committee agreed to consider the matter further and bring a report back to county council in March.

Radar idea still alive

A decision is not expected until at least March on whether or not Haliburton County council will purchase a mobile radar unit for the Minden OPP.

The matter was to have come to a vote last Wednesday, but only four of 10 municipalities indicated their position on the issue, so council agreed to put the matter off until their next scheduled meeting in March.

Anson, Hindon and Minden and Bicroft municipal councils have said they would be willing to contribute \$250 each toward the estimated \$2,500 price of the unit. Glamorgan and Dysart et al have rejected the proposal, although individual councillors in those municipalities may not have been against it.

The other six municipalities are being asked to consider the matter within the next month and make their decision known to county clerk Winn Lahay.

If the unit was purchased it would belong to the county, but would be on permanent loan to the Minden OPP. At present the local detachment must share a unit with another detachment, and the provincial government is unwilling to provide a unit for the Minden detachment's exclusive use.

Lutterworth deputy reeve Glynne Lewis described this policy as "stupid" at last Wednesday's meeting. He said the province is "inhibiting the police" and cautioned that "we will pay for it in the end".

Lewis, a former British army major and an expert on terrorism, said "any support for the police is



What can be better than a hot dog fresh from the barbecue after an afternoon of skiing. The Haliburton Highlands Cross Country ski club has a barbecue on Sunday afternoon at the



These snowmobile racers braved frigid temperatures to compete in events sponsored by the Haliburton County snowmobile association in Minden on Saturday. A number of classes were up for grabs in

both snowmobile and ATC competitions. The two local riders who took part did well. For complete results see page nine.

Chamber wants more money

It appears to be a long shot at best, but the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce has decided to ask county council for a grant of \$104,450 to help meet a projected 1984 budget of \$207,550.

The request came at a meeting last Wednesday, and will be considered by council's budget committee in deliberations over the next month or so.

Chamber president Ken Langdon presented a brief to council outlining programs to organization hopes to undertake in 1984. Main aim of the Chamber's marketing

plans this year is to give the area a 'higher profile' among prospective vacationers and cottage buyers.

To do this, the Chamber would spend a total of \$127,300 on marketing related ventures, as well as \$80,250 on administration.

Anticipated programs and their costs are:

- Infomobile program: This is a travelling booth which is set up in shopping malls in the Golden Horseshoe. Total cost to the Chamber for publications and distribution on a cost sharing arrangement with the Central Ontario Travel Association would be \$8000.

- Summer accommodation guide: This lists area attractions and accommodations. Printing costs would be \$9000.

- Winter directory: These are distributed through ski shops in southern Ontario. Although production costs are \$5,200, revenue from advertising would be expected to cover expenses.

- County Directory: Produced by COTA, there is no direct cost to the Chamber.

- County Maps: The Chamber has enough of these on hand for 1984, so no expenditure is planned.

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Deep snow hard on deer, MNR busy with feeding

Ministry of Natural Resources workers have begun an extensive feeding program to help local deer herds cope with severe winter conditions.

Dave Atkinson, Fish and Wildlife supervisor for the Minden District office, says that with at least 60 centimetres of snow on the ground, "it's getting very rough on the deer. Conditions aren't good at all".

Once snow depths reach 20 inches, deer start having trouble, according to Atkinson. The deep snow impedes their ability to move through the bush in search of food. A crust of ice several inches below the surface is making it possible for the animals to travel if they walk slowly, but as soon as they try to move faster, they break through, he said. Fawns can be buried up to their ears with the present snow depths, while larger animals cannot keep their chests above the surface.

Major concentrations of deer at Percy Lake, Kushog Lake and in Hindon Township are being fed a mixture of 50 percent corn and 50 percent oats from feeder bins placed by MNR workers. To date some 15 tons of grain have been consumed.

The local office also employs 'contract feeders', property owners who agree to keep bins stocked with grain provided by the Minden

operating at Haliburton Lake, North Lake, and in Hindon Township.

Two men have been hired on winter job creation programs to assist with trail breaking and feeding efforts, Atkinson said, and the local office hopes to get approval for four more temporary workers to bolster deer assistance efforts.

This year, for the first time, the local program will use a commercially manufactured deer pellet, as well as the grain mixtures. Atkinson said 10 tons of the pellets have been ordered. They are high in protein, minerals and vitamins, and have been used successfully in Manitoba and Minnesota, he said.

Atkinson said a number of area residents have indicated they'd like to assist the feeding program, and those people are expected to be contacted soon.

Once feeding begins it must be continued regularly until the snow melts, he said. At the moment the deer still have some reserves of fat, but by March and April they have used up their stored fat, their metabolism is speeding up, and they need more food.

Aerial surveys of the District have discovered numerous small pockets of deer in addition to the larger concentrations in traditional 'yards'. These small groups may experience starvation this winter because they cannot be reached by

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- SOLD SUNNYSIDE STREET HOME \$335,000.
- SOLD HALLS LAKE COTTAGE \$425,000.
- SOLD BOB LAKE COTTAGE \$485,000.
- SOLD EAGLE LAKE ROAD LOT \$92,500.
- SOLD CONTAU LAKE ROAD HOME \$265,000.
- SOLD KENNISIS LAKE COTTAGE \$1,200,000.
- SOLD TULIP ROAD ACREAGE \$190,000.

- SOLD BURLEIGH ROAD LOT \$31,000.
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- SOLD SOYERS LAKE COTTAGE \$637,500.
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- SOLD BULLER ROAD HOME \$315,000.
- SOLD SWINSON ROAD LOT \$25,000.
- LISTED LITTLE GLAMOR LAKE COTTAGE SOLD FOR \$449,000.
- LISTED GULL RIVER LOT SOLD FOR \$110,000.
- LISTED HARBURN ROAD HOME SOLD FOR \$395,000.
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- LISTED LODGE LANE LOT SOLD FOR \$25,000.
- LISTED GULL LAKE HOME SOLD FOR \$1,250,000.
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- LISTED JORDAN LAKE LOTS SOLD FOR \$250,000.
- LISTED HIGHWAY 503 CABIN SOLD FOR \$159,900.
- LISTED REDSTONE LAKE COTTAGE SOLD FOR \$455,000.
- LISTED JORDAN LAKE LOT SOLD FOR \$60,000.
- LISTED LODGE LANE LOT SOLD FOR \$25,000.
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- LISTED HALIBURTON LAKE COTTAGE SOLD FOR \$779,000
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